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2/5/2010 2:26 PM

Subject:

Renewal of Resolution R5-2005-0052

## Angela,

I would like to comment on the proposal to renew the Conditional Waiver of Waste Discharge Requirements for Discharges Related to Timber Harvest Activities.

Mason, Bruce & Girard, Inc. has managed timberland in Central California since 2004 and we have therefore been very involved in the conditional waiver process as it applies to our timber harvesting plans. It is our feeling that the current process is very effective and the result has been ongoing and timely monitoring of water quality within and adjacent to our timber harvest areas. The "Guidelines for Conducting Required Monitoring for Timber Harvest Related Discharges Enrolled Under the Waiver of Waste Discharge Requirements" are very thorough, understandable and implementable. We therefore do not see the need for any changes to the program but feel that the public's best interests are being well served by the current process.

I also feel that it is both unnecessary and poor timing to propose not waiving the requirement to submit a report of waste discharge for Category 3 and Category 4 waivers especially since that generates the apparent need to apply another fee to our timber harvesting plans. The THP process has already become very costly and, with current log prices, a very marginal process. I realize that the State has budget issues but I think there are other alternatives remaining to bring the budget into balance.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on this resolution.

## Larry

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"Angela Wilson" < awilson@waterboards.ca.gov>

To: Date:

2/8/2010 10:55 AM

Subject:

RE: Renewal of Resolution R5-2005-0052

Angela,

At this time, I do not intend to speak at the Board hearing in March.

Thanks, Larry

----Original Message----

From: Angela Wilson [mailto:awilson@waterboards.ca.gov]

Sent: Monday, February 08, 2010 10:48 AM

To: Larry Gonzales

Subject: Re: Renewal of Resolution R5-2005-0052

Thank you Larry,

Your comments have been received and will be included in the record.

Will you be speaking at the Board hearing in March?

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>>> "Larry Gonzales" <lgonzale@masonbruce.com> 2/5/2010 2:25 PM >>> Angela,

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